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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : ANDOU
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 15, 2006, the applicants hereby elect Group I, namely Claims 1-8 and 11, drawn to method of producing monomeric and dimeric BMP. This election is with traverse, as the claims of Group II, namely claims 12-15, are dependent directly or indirectly upon claim 1. Thus all of the claims of Group II contain all of the limitations of Group I, and it is believed that the burden on the office to examine the claims of Group II together with the elected Group I claims is minimal at most. Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement is believed in order and is requested.

Early and favorable action on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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